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- (2) if at the election of the insured, and whether or not a change in occupancy has occurred, the affected property:
- (i) passes the test for lead-contaminated dust under § 6-816 of the Environment Article; or
- (ii) has undergone the lead hazard reduction treatments and complies with the risk reduction standard under § 6-815(a)(2) of the Environment Article; and
- (3) if the insured submits to the authorized insurer a current verified report completed by an accredited inspector under § 6–818 of the Environment Article certifying that the affected property complies with the standards set forth in item (2) of this subsection.

## SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED. That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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6-801.

- (b) (1) "Affected property" means:
- (i) A property constructed before 1950 that contains at least one rental dwelling unit; or
- (ii) Any residential rental property for which the owner makes an election under § 6-803(a)(2) of this subtitle.
- (2) "Affected property" includes an individual rental dwelling unit within a multifamily rental dwelling.
- (3) "Affected property" does not include property exempted under § 6-803(b) of this subtitle.
- (t) (1) "Rental dwelling unit" means a room or group of rooms that form a single independent habitable rental unit for permanent occupation by one or more individuals that has living facilities with permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation.
  - (2) "Rental dwelling unit" does not include:
- (i) An area not used for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, or sanitation, such as an unfinished basement;
- (ii) A unit within a hotel, motel, or similar seasonal or transient facility;
  - (iii) An area which is secured and inaccessible to occupants;
- (iv) A common area which is not part of, or adjoining, a rental dwelling unit within a multifamily rental dwelling; or
  - (v) A unit which is not offered for rent.